

No.6 View of the small village of Ghour near the northern extremity of the district of Dhanpore



Water-colour painting of the village of Ghour (Almora District, Uttar Pradesh) by James Manson (1791-1862), c.1826. This image is from an album of 12 drawings of landscapes in Almora and accompanies a 'Report of the Mineral Survey of the Himalaya Mountains lying between the Rivers Sutlej and Kalee' by Captain J.D. Herbert, dated 1826 (Mss Eur E96, Kaye no.377). Manson was assistant to the Superintendent of the Geological Survey of the Himalayas from 1823 to 1828.

This region is situated in the Himalayas where the average height of the mountains is 4 to 5,000 feet sometimes rising to 7 or 8,000 feet. The mountains appear to twist and turn giving the impression of an inextricable tang